

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 8,
with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--In addition, there ~~the~~ are scientific evidences that
chlorine reacts with the organic matter present in the water to
produce traces of organo-chlorine compounds (trihalomethanes or,
more generally, AOX) which ~~with~~ are very critical from the
toxicological point of view due to the recognized cancer-
producing activity.--